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### Occurrence and Comment.

Should citizens vote for the platform or the candidate? Mr. LaFallette re-elected governor of Wisconsin on the republican ticket is reported to have said in an interview "that if he had lived in Missouri he would have voted for Mr. Folk, the D.m >cratic candidate for governor, and it he had lived in Illinois he would have voted for Mr. Dencen, the Republican candidate for governor." This is the kind of independence in politics which promises good to our country. The parties will be compelled to nominate good men for office.

The Executive Board, of The American Baptist Home Mission Society has invited "the boards of general missionary organizations at the North and at the South, also the Boards of Baptist State Conventions and educational and philanthropic organizations to appoint messengers to a Conference in New York City," January 25, 1905 to consider the question of having a "Triennial Convention or some other general organization of Baptists of North America." In this invitation no statement is made as to the kind of organization proposed or desired. The Watchin in of Boston suggested "that at stated periods, some years apart, the Baptists of the South and North should meet together in a social and inspiration meeting, discussing such questions as interest all, leaving the present organizations and work in tact. If this is the object of the proposed gathering and there is no purpose to disturb our present organizuir is the meeting should do good and no harm at all.

Here are some wise words concerning the mock-piety of a murderer of his wife and the mother of their children from the Religious Herald:

"Now that the jury have rendered their verdict (murder in the first degree), it may not be amiss for us to add that one of the most repulsive features of the trial to simple-hearted and devout people over the land was the prominence which the accused and convicted man gave to his religious sentiments. The bringing of his Bible into the court-room and reading it in the presence of the jury, and varying this spectacular piety with hateful leers at young Crawford, his brother-in-law, was a scene likely to raise the gorge of every straigtforward Christian in the land. It was bad enough for an officer of a Christian church to bring by his terrible crime such reproach and shame to his church and community. It was yet more loathsome

to make any parade of his 'piety' in the presence of the jury called to try him for the murder of his wife."

The Union Theological Seminary, Alleghany City ha Presbyterian institution. It was stated that upon the announcement that the Seminary would substitute a new creed for the Westminster confession of faith, Morris K. Jessup, who is a director of the school, gave \$120,000 for the establishment of a professorship of preaching, raind Mrs. Dodge, widow of William Earl Dodge, gave a like sum for the establishment of a chair of applied Christianity. Dr. Thomas S. Hastings, professor of pastaral theology in the Seminary and an ex president, says that the intitution only renewed the provision which required subscription to the confession in order to entrance into its faculty and provided for greater flexibility in the matter of teaching? The further says that this action does not suply that the faculty thinks less of the open sion. But if refusal to subscribe to the Confession of Faith is no bar to the faculty of the school which teaches and trains preachers for the churches, will it not soon come to pass that such refusal will not be a pur to the pulpit and even to continued colowship in the churches. And then the confession would become a cumbersone a dead, letter. It seems so to a sympastic outsider.

President Wollins says that three hundred more men applied of r assistance to enter the Somehry than he could aid We might easily have had one or two hundred of them if the Students' Fund had been sufficient. Everywhere we have a shortage of fully t aim of preachers. Almost a crisis is upon us at this point. What shall be done?-Argus

Is it a face that 300 men under the consciousness of a divine call unto the ministry of Jesus seeking the best possible preparation for the heavenly calling, turned away from wint seemed to them the best place to get it because some one did not offer to pay their expenses? "What shall be done?" These men should do as men do who che is professions—doctors and lawyers, for example—provide their own expenses either by working for the money or by borrdwing it Many worthy and acceptible preachers have gone through College and Schinary in this way. Yes, we should appear those who ought to have help. Yet, after all, "self help is the best help." The cher who will neglect his preparation for the ministry because some one does not give him the necessary funds has not the manhood in him to meet any "crisis." Quas schools may overdo the "helping of students" in competition for attendance.

The Zemstvos of Russia are provincial assemblies. November 19-22, delegates from these assemblies held a meeting in St. Petersburg, and by the permission of the Emperor. The meetings were enthusiastic, and memorials were put forth asking representation which will give them a voice in the administration of public affairs. The Minister of the Interior promised to lay the memorial resolutions before the Emperor. It is said that "the Emperor's advisors are fully aroused, and that they realize that representation cannot longer be withheld from those who are now asking it," especially considering the character of the petitioners, and that they plead "in the name of all that is good for Russia." The Emperor may give ear to these "intelligent subjects" His custom heretofore has been to lull the agitation and to conceal the real state of affairs. But it will be difficult to smother this new light. This movement is the eruption. The fire has long been burning and swelling within. Intelligent, energetic and patriotic men are behind these assemblies, and they will insist that the right of representation be grafted into the Russian system. November 28 Prince Galotzin, mayor of Moscow, proposed to call a "meeting of all the mayors of Russian cities to discuss questions relating to municipal government." The deliberations of such a Zemstvos would have weight.

#### Love Your Enemies. (F. W. Tomkins.)

How can I make myself love my neighbor and banish feelings of hatred? This is a hard problem, and yet the methods of help are simple. First pray for him as often and as earnestly as you can. Second, refuse to think of the sayings or actions which made you angry with him. Third, think of his good points, the worthy things you know of him. Fourth, consider yourself and see how you may have been as unkind to another, in some other way, as he has been to you. And, fifth, try to do something for him. Send him some little token of affection, even if you find it difficult to do i: affectionately. Serve him at some time of necessity, and do not be disheartened if he rejects your overtures. And then do not be cast down because you do not at once succeed in feeling towards him as you would like to. We cannot love all men alike, simply because our love is not equally received by all. But if we wish well to all men, and would help them if we could, then we have the spirit of Christ in a measure, and a greater power of that spirit will come to us.

## Sunday School Lesson.

BY R. A. KIMBROUGH.

December 11, 1904. Il Kings 17:6-18.

Captivity of the Ten Tribes.

Time 722, B. C.

Place: Samaria, and all the kingdom of Israel.

Motto Text: "The face of the Lord is against them that do evil." 1 Peter 3:12.

For some time we have been studying the history of Israel-the ten tribes. Our present lesson tells of the captivity of Israel and reasons why they were captured. Hoshea was the 19th and last king of Israel. He slew Pekah, his predecesssor, and with the consent of the king of Assyria became king but his kingdom was tributary to Assyria. Hoshea was better than the kings preceding him in Israel. He desired to free his country from the foreign yoke, and to do so made an alliance with the king of Egypt to fight against the Asyrian king Shalmaneser. No tribute being sent to Shalmaneser he siezed Hoshea and shut him up in prison and set about the overthrow of Israel. He went against Samaria and besieged the city three years before it was taken. Samaria was taken in the ninth year of Hoshea, which was the sixth year of Hezekiah king of Judah. This three year's siege may not have been three full years. According to the custom of time one full year and a part of the year preceding and into the year following the full one would be called three years.

NOTES ON THE TEXT.

1. Causes of the captivity: 5.12. In the ninth year of Hoshea the king of Assyria took Samaria. Hoshea was watch. ing his opportunity to forsake the Assyrian king, and while that king was engaged elsewhere he entered the alliance with So, king of Egypt. This angered Shalmaneser and he began war with Israel which resulted in Israel's downfall. With the fall of Samaria, the capital, all was over. In the meantime Shalmaneser died and Sargon became king of Assyria, so it was under his reign that the captivity took place. He carried the Israelites "away into Assyria" and settled them in Halah and Habor, near the river Gozan, and also carried some into the cities of the Medes, still on to the Southeast. This verse states the fact of the captivity, and the other five verses of this section give viction was lost. They made two molten the reasons for the captivity. For "thechildren of Israel had sinned against the Lord their God." The result of sin is death, both to nations and individuals. Here is national destruction because of sin, "The wages of sin is death," says Paul. This sin was against God, who had brought them up out of the land of Egypt." This deliverance from Pharaoh was ever used by the Lord through his prophets to teach the Israelites their obligation to

God. From the time of Moses on it was often repeated as a reminder of God's delivering power and of their reverence for him. But these people "feared other Gods," etc. They became idolaters. They worshipped idols. Jereboam the first king of the ten tribes set up calf-worship and the nation went on then from bad to worse until the end. Rather than obey God they "walked in the statutes (precepts) of the heathen." They wanted to be like the folks around them. "They did secretly those things that were not right." Secret sins bring bad results just as open ones do. The high places named were eminent, set apart to idol-worship. 'From the tower of the watchman to the fenced city" shows the extent of this idolatry-from the lonely districts on into the populous cities idolworship was their only worship, or at least the prevailing worship. Images were carved stones for use in idol service. Groves, or Asherim, were wooden pillars plain and

carved They were erected about the al-

tars of idols. "Under every green tree,"

on the hills under trees was a usual place

of this heathen worship. "There they burned incense," indicating complete idol service and worship established for true worship. They thus provoked the Lord to anger in all this departure and rebellion and sinfulness and disobedience, for he had said "ye shall not do this thing." The foregoing verses of the lesson give a complete account of the idolatry into which Israel had fallen. 2. God's testimony against Israel. 13.

During all the years of the nation's existence God had contually warned them of the danger of such a course. "Yet the Lord testified against Judah by all the prophets and by all the seers," Some of these were Elijah, Elisha, Jonah, Amos, Hosea, Isaiah, and also many in the schools of the prophets whose names we do not know. God had given plenty warning. The fault was not his. They went to destruction in the face of divine teaching. They went the

transgressor's road.

3. Israel's Persistence in Sin. 14-18, -"notwithstanding, they would not hear," that is, though duly taught, they would not heed the teaching, "but hardened their necks, with stubborn and obstinate wills they went their own way. They went on and on in sin until they rejected the Lord's statutes and covenant and testimonies. "And they followed vanity and became vain." They became like that they worshipped. One's faith is an index to what he is. "And they left all the commandments of the Lord." Something else became more convenient to them. Concalves for their worship, that is molded two images. Also they made a grove, or Asherah, and along with these idols, "they worshipped all the hosts of heaven and s rved Baal." Baal was the sun-god of the heathen. The hosts of heaven which they worshipped were doubtless, the moon and stars, being suggested by the sun-god worship. "They caused their sons and their daughters to pass through the fire,"

aform of worship of Moloch. King Ahaz

was guilty of this. They followed the superstitious people about them in their divinations and enchantments. Some even sold themselves to do evil, thereby provoking God to anger. "Therefore the Lord was very angry with Israel and removed them out of his sight. His anger was that of complete hatred of sin. The removal of Israel was because of sin and impenitence for the same. The nation was destroyed and never restored. "There was none left but the tribe of Judah only." This tribe was later led into some years of captivity but returned and through Judah God's promise to David was fulfilled, and through Judah Jesus came.

#### Meeting at Durant.

For fifteen days, Bro. W. A. McComb of Gloster, has been with us in a revival

It has been a great meeting in several

1. It was great in the fact that Durant has the reputation of being a hard place. It took a whole week of hard work to get the church in working order. But that was accomplished and the work moved

It was great in the manifest power of the Holy Spirit. This, I think, was the most marked feature of the meeting. It was this we prayed for most earnestly, and a gracious answer was given. The Spirit pervaded the congregation as if it were one body with one soul.

Strong men wept under conviction of sins and called upon the name of the Lord. A peculiar feature was that the men were moved first, and the girls last.

3. It was a great meeting in spite of the fact that it was the busiest season of the year and some could not attend.

4. It was a great meeting, in tact the church was revived to an unsual de-

Several days, we had service at 6 o'clock in the morning and a surprisingly large crowd came, some from the country.

No count of professions was kept, but it is estimated that there were 30 to 40. At this writing 21 have united with the Baptist church. Others will join later, and some will go to other denominations.

Bro. McComb said he had held meetings in which there were more conversions and accessions, but never saw a more manifest appearance of the Holy Spirit. The fruits of the meeting are not all in yet, nor have we yet seen the end of its uplifting power in the church.

There were some striking answers to prayer, which cannot be recounted here.

Our church passed a vote of thanks to Bro. McComb and the Gloster church for the services of such a man of God to aid us. He is an evangelist and pastor combined and it is hard to say in which capacity he excels. We can never get done thanking the Lord for sending him to us and the Gloster church for allowing him to come and stay beyond the time first agreed upon. The Lord will reward them.

T. A. MOORE, Pastor.

#### Her Little Boy.

1904.

"Always a little boy, to her," No matter how old he's grown, Her eyes are blind to the strands of gray, She's deat to his manly tone: His voice is the same as the day he asked: "What makes the old cat purr?" Ever and ever he's just the same A little boy to her.

"Always a little boy, to her." She heeds not the lines of care That furrow his face—to her it is still As it was in his boyhood, tair, His hopes and his joys are as dear to her As they were in his small-boy days. He never changes to her-he's still "My little boy," she says.

"Always a little boy, to her," And to him she's the mother fair, With the laughing eyes and the cheering smile

Ot the boyhood days back there; Back there, somewhere in the midst of years-

Back there with the childish joy. And to her he is never the man we see, But always "her little boy."

"Always a little boy to her." The ceaseless march of the years Goes rapidly by, but its drum-beats die Ere ever they reach her ears, The smile that she sees is the smile of

youth, The wrinkles are dimples of joy. His hair, with its gray, is as sunny as May;

He is always "her little boy." -Baltimore American.

#### Conquering Evil.

Two things are to be considered: the strength of the enemy and the implements of our warfare. Draw a line through all the ages, and you find good on one side and evil on the other. They are both positive elements, but ever antagonistic. Evil has its multiplied and witty inventions. Good has its Gibraltar of Bible truth. Beneath the feet of evil are "sinking sands." Good stands upon the "Rock of Ages." Good exclaims, "The weapons of our warfare are not carnal, but mighty through God to the pulling down of strong holds." Evil parades "the pleasures of sin for a season." Hence all its promises are delu-

To get a clear but brief view of the deep springs of action and forming of character, let us look at the laws of mind and heart. "As he (man) thinketh in his heart, so is he." Again: "A good man out of the good treasure of the heart bringeth forth good things; and an evil man out of the evil treasure bringeth forth evil things." From this view we have a solid basis from which to proceed.

1. To conquer evil, each must begin with himself. He must take an inner and scrutinizing look at himself. He may have a beam in his eye. An unclean fountain cannot send forth a pure stream. In his own heart and home must the sword on

evil flash. There no parley, no quarter must be shown the enemy. Every approach must be granded. Here most emof liberty." Regin early and work late. From many broken hearts, too late learning, "Delays are dangerous," the sad wail has come, "it might have been."

2. Guard well the nursery. If there early, good seed see sown, evil seed will find no room in the good soil. It is not accidental that many boys run wild and wreckless; and that some sweet girls become more vain than wise. Let the light never grow dim around the family altar. Let beautiful fly wers bloom about mother's door. Let pure breezes fan the rosy cheeks of the little ones. Let home be dearer than all earth's attractions.

3. Shun bad essociations. Nothing is better demonstrated than that "Evil communications corrupt good manners." As bad air breeds disease and death, so does bad company bring moral pestilence and woe. We are warned "not to follow a multitude to do evil." The multitude is now and ever has been running in the ways of evil. It is often the case that one bad man leads many astray. As sure as you handle chargoal your hands will be smutty. Not less should all good people shun bad literature. Sensational novels fill the land as thid the frogs during the plagues of Egypt, leaving their slime on all they touched. It, (bad literature) creates a craving that nothing can satisfy; fosters feverish hunger for excitement and pleasure; leaves mind and heart passive, and averse to reading solid and wholesome books; be wilders the imagination with dreams of the impossible; and so lowers the moral tone that crime and divorce annually increase.
4. The only way to conquer evil, is to

overcome it with good. The more good men do the less will evil prevail. The more lives are filled with righteous deeds the more will men be convinced of the truth, and the clearer will the right be seen. Then conquer by doing good. Unsheathe that "old Jerusalem blade," and face the enemy in all his gilded shapes. Good deeds are never lost. Every virtuous act touches those who witness it, and blesses the doer. All men and weinen that have blessed mankind, have the end achieved by opposing evil with good. There is a charm in genuine, consecuted goodness that the world admires. No one can better serve and honor God, and lift up a fallen race than by overcoming evil with good. He, who has all power in earth and heaven, ment for every "horo in the strife." "Be not overcome of evil, but overcome evil with good." Ren 12; 21. Fraternally,

A. P. COPELAND.

### A Thanksgiving Service.

The 24th inst was a day of special delight to the people who gathered at the Smyrna church Capiah county. The ser- Nov. 30, 1904.

mon was by the pastor, from the 100th Psalm. The singing was with soul led by little Mamie McPhail at the organ. The phatically: "Eternal vigilance is the price collection on that day in cash and goods for our Orphanage amounted to \$80.00; additional contributions during the month in cash \$22.20, making a total of \$102.20. What little church has done better? What soul is so happy as he who remembers in gifts the great Giver.

Bro. John Thompson of Conn, Miss., takes up the work next year as pastor of this happy working little church. God bless them and make the new relation more blessed than any of the past.

I. H. ANDING.

Summit, Miss.

#### Circular Letter to the Churches in Chickasahay Association.

DEAR BRETHREN:-

The Lord has prospered you. We have much to be thankful for.

Thanksgiving day has passed and I trust the Orphanage was remembered on that day with a liberal collection.

If you had no services on that day, will you not take up a collection at the first appointment for the Orphanage?

If you have not remembered the wornout preachers, their widows and orphans, will you not do so before the holidays are

If each Sunday School would give one Sunday's collection in each month to the Orphanage, it would develop the children in beneficence and bring in a large amount of money to the orphans.

Have you a live Sunday School? If you have none, could one be organized if some one should visit your church and make a talk to them?

The State Convention Board, the Home and Foreign Mission Boards, have enlarged their work and it will necessitate larger collections from the churches to meet the demands.

If our State paper, THE BAPTIST, is not taken by each family connected with your church, will not you or some other brother make a canvase of the membership of your church for the paper?

The Orphanage Gem, published at Jackson, Miss., 25 cents a year, would be a blessing to you and your home if you would only subscribe for it and read it.

The Foreign Mission Journal, Richmond, Va., 35 cents a year, will give you all the mission news of the toreign field.

Our Home Field, Atlanta, Ga., edited by has promised to be with every doer of Bro. Baron D. Gray, at ten cents a year, good to the end. So, there is encourage- is a fine paper and should be in every

> It is not necessary to ask you if you use the Convention Board series of Sunday School literature in your Sunday School.

> Please read this to your church and do me the kindness to answer these queries.

Thanking you in advance, I am, Yours in the beloved, W. H. PATTON.

## B. Y. P. U.

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#### Subscribe for Service.

Service is the most valuable magazine published. Compare it with any magazine you choose and you cannot help but say the same thing.

At the meeting of the Arkansas Baptist Convention, which has just closed, Thursday night was given up to the B. Y. P. U. rally. The main question discussed was as to the advisability of a State B. Y. P. U. Rev. W. P. Hunt, of Kansas City, and others made enthusiastic speeches in favor of such a move. The matter was finally referred to the committee with instructions to report on Sunday morning. At that time Rev. Walter Cally the Secretary of the B. Y. P. U. addressed the Convention and a State organization was effected. We welcome Arkansas into our ranks.

## Some "Always Remember" for our

Always remember:

- 1. To fill your place.
- To be ahead of time.
- To pray for the meeting three times -before, during and after.
- 4. To give the speaker sympathetic attention. You help or hinder him.
- 5. To furnish part of the spiritual capital essential to the life and success of the
- helped you and to recognize your part in the failure if you were not helped.
- 7. To make the welcome so genuine, the "hand shake" so cordial and the meeting generally so enjoyable that the visitor just can't stay away next time.-Baptist Courier.

Young People's Unions are needed far more in our country churches than in cur der the name Grace Baptist Church. There

churches have preaching only twice, and some of them only once a month. If they would organize a B. Y. P. U. they could meet at least two Sundays in the month, on the days they have no preaching. They could have a song service and read reports prepared on the topics suggested in their periodicals. That there are not scores upon scores of these societies organized and at work is the fault of the pastors, and other members of the churches who ought to lend their efforts to this important work. This reserved force of the churches is going to waste for the lack of cultivation and training, and is worth more than ten times the amount of time and labor necessary to do the work. There is no such thing as going to heaven on flowery beds of ease, and it takes work, pluck, toil, energy, prayer and consecration to make

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an effcient, successful church. I know some country churches where the pastor comes twenty, and even thirty miles, preaches on Sunday, and goes away. His people see no more of him for the next thirty days. What do the majority of these churches do in the interim? The reports of many of them to their associations reveal the fact that they do nothing, and are slowly dying, while other denominations are taking possession of the ground.-W. H. Edwards, in Christian

One of the Mexican States is the latest to have a State organization.

The National Boll Weevil Convention will be held at Shreveport, Louisiana, Dec. 12-15, 1904

The senior editor is just back from a trip to St. Louis, and feels much renewed in health and spirits

Rev. J. M. Sammons has moved from Cæsar to McHenry, where his correspondents will address him.

On the last Lord's day in November two professed faith in Christ in the Tupelo church and asked baptism.

The future address of Rev. T. D. Bush will be Bunkie, La. His correspondents will govern themselves accordingly.

The Mississippi Cotton and Corn Carnival will be held in Jacks n Dec. 12-17. Admission to the grounds 25 cent; children 15 cents.

The last session of the 58th Corgress 6. To thank the leader if his message met last Monday. The Republican ma- school work. jority is much larger than in last session.

> The home of Rev. A. J. O'Briant has been brightened by the advent of a young Miss O'Briant who has taken up residence with them permanently.

On Sunday Nov. 12th, a new Baptist church was organized in New Orleans, un-

towns and cities. Many of our country are now five white Baptist churches in New Orleans.

December 8,

A note from Prest. B. G. Lowrey, which came after article in another place was in in print, says: "Our meeting closed on the 4th inst. There were 43 protessions of faith.

Cards are out announcing the marriage of Mr. Harry Jared Hammet and Miss Jessie Lewis, both of Ruston, La. We knew Mr. Hammet while his residence was Jackson as an upright young man, and wish him and his young bride much happi-

A great meeting, recently held at Lumpkins school house, Hancock county. Bros. Price, R. L. King, L. G. Varnado, N. Breland and J. M. Sammons did the preaching. There were 24 accessions. Prof. Cunningham lead in music of fine order.

Old Beulah Church of Brownsville, Miss., paid up her pastor for the year, Nov. 27, and this she has done in November for the past three years. Rev. Charles L Lewis has been her pastor for the last 8 years and all the salary has been paid every year before Dec. 24.

Som: far-seeing financiers in New York have organized a stock company of \$500,-000, for running an all time bank. Customers can transact business at any hour in the day or night. The doors are never to be closed except on Sunday. Surely the world is marching rapidly on.

A meeting will be held at Jackson, on Friday, December 16th, in the County Court House, at 2 p. m., to organize a State Hortfcultural Society. Mr. Roland Morrill, of Benton Harbor, Mich., who is said to be the largest peach grower in the United States, will address the meeting on the benefits of organization.

"Boys and Girls" for 1905 offers many interesting and helpful features, and an exceptionally attractive double number will be furnished quarterly. Among tle new features will be news and suggestions from the International Sunshine Society and the Anti Cigarette League.

The annual lecture course on the Sunday school at the Southern Baptist Theological Seminary, upon the Sunday-school Board Foundation, will be delivered by Rev. A. H. McKinney, D. D., of Philadelphia, on Dec. 5-9, on questions of very practical bearing, related to Sunday-

A good brother in onother State says: "I love your paper. It is clean, sound, newsy, sweet-spirited, and spiritual in tone. God bless you, you are doing a great work. I went down to the brink of the dark river last winter, but the good Lord brought me back. I deeply and truly love the Mississippi brotherhood. I am very happy in the work here."

The Georgia Baptist State Conven-

This large body of Christians met in annual session in the beautiful city of Colum. bus, Nov. 22nd, 1904. Very many things said and done are worthy of special attention, of all the good things it is not possible to write, yet in calling attention to a few those who were not present may be encouraged.

The attendance was large and representative, between six and seven hundred messengers being present besides several hundred visitors, and elect women not a few. In fact there were so many to be entertained that two large town churches, which were anxious to entertain the convention at its next session became suddenly dumb when the entertainment committee, through Pastor Smith announced that the homes were filling up and running over. It seemed to me that the tright was needless, for the hospitality of Columbus was equal to the emergency, and some of the good citizens were complaining that their messengers had not come. Your correspondent was splendidly entertained in the beautiful home of Mr. and Mrs. Felder Pou. All seemed to think they had the best homes. The Convention goes next year to Macon, the home of Mercer University, which, like Columbus, is beautiful for situation and broad, shaded

The Convention sermon, which was excellent, was preached by Pastor Alexander W. Bealer, of Thomasville. He was licensed to preach by the Jackson Hill Church of Atlanta, which I have the honor of serving, and this church has a laudable pride in the marked success of Bro. Bealer. Secretary S. Y. Jameson made a fine report for the Board of Missions. More than \$86,000 were raised for missions, and other objects of benevolence, \$41,000 of this amount being for Foreign Missions. The work of State Missions is on solid footing, and this is not strange, for Jameson has no superior as a secretary of

Dr. Gray, the worthy son of Mississippi, was present, and told, with intense and thrilling interest of the great work of Home Missions, which is so dear to his tender heart and cultured brain. Georgia Baptists are becoming more deeply interested in Home Missions every year as is shown by increasing contributions.

Dr. Willingham and Missionary McCollum were there and powerfully moved the the great crowd as they told of the great work of the Lord beyond the sea. Mr. Walker Brooks, of Rome, Ga., made a tion of \$5,000 to Poreign Missions. McCollum is thin and pale, and, if possible should have absolute rest. How ruddy he looked when he spoke at the Mississippi Convention when it met in Hazlehurst! The people of Japan fill the largest hall that can be secured when he preaches. Let him rest, in mean time somebody, whom the Lord has blessed with money, build a house large enough for him to preach in when he goes

back to Japan.

Christian education was never receiving such attention as at this time. Mercer University has affar attendance of young men, an up-to-date faculty, and two magnificent new buildings. But while we greatly rejoice in her increasing prosperity our hearts are sad over the continued poor health of President Pollock. At the be-ginning of the socion the trustees gave him another vacation of a year, but his condition is not hepeful at this time. Shorter College, the well known institu-

tion for girls at Rome, made a magnificent report. The trustees have decided to raise two hundred shousand dollars addi tional endowment and the citizens of Rome have already subscribed \$50,000 of that amount, six men giving \$5,000 each, Mr. Walker Brooks, Vice President of the trustees, being one of them. As he is at the head of the movement there is no doubt that the whole amount will be raised. This means that Storter will soon be able to compete successfully with the best equipped colleges for women in America.

Monroe College at Forsyth, is also another great college for young women. The large new dormitoey is full, and perhaps another as large could be filled before the opening of the year 1905. Thorough teaching, emphasis upon high Christian living, board at cost, help for the poor girl, and aggressive college spirit, and a hospitable home town are the drawing features of this school.

There are many Baptist high schools, which are feeders to these colleges, and most worthy of mention, if you had the space to spare.

JULIAN K. PACE

We are making gradual progress in our work here, but are making but little noise about it. We have frequent additions and are getting some of the best. Baptist affairs seem to be on a substantial basis. We have as clean a membership as you will find in the very best. They are loyal to the truth and stand by their pastor. I am c nvinced that there is not a church in North Miss. that as doing more accord-

We furnish preaching for the whole town every Sundar. In this way we get the ear of the people and there is considerable interest managested in the messages we have for the people.

The writer closed a series of sermons Sunday on "Faith" Preaching on the "Atonement"—its pature, ground and efficacy, in which there was considerable interest. He has begin a series of Sunday short, eloquent speech, and made a subscrip- evening sermons en The Characters that Make Old Testament History." Jacob and Joseph have been presented as "The Man of Affairs" and 'Slow Young Man."
These are especially designed for the young people. Next Sunday night Absolom will be presented as "The Fast Young Man."

> Bro. Jeff A. Rogers is holding meetings at destitute points in the Aberdeen Association. One was held at Righy and one at Check's school hause. Great good was

accomplished at each place. This faithful servant has held eleven protracted meetings this season. Who can present a better record-in addition to his regular pastoral work. Bro. Rogers is now preaching at Aberdeen for half his time. He toils and suffers in his Master's work and makes no complaint.

If he knew I was writing this he would rebuke me. Don't you-tell him.

I was interested in the reports of the B. Y. P. U. meeting at Columbus. Sorry I could not attend. Pray for us at Amory that we may do our best.

W. A. JORDAN.

After a hard struggle to tear away from the good people of Liberty church and other country churches, Rev. T. J. Miley has accepted the Newton Church for onehalf time and Hickory for one-fourth. He loved his country work very much, but felt that the Lord was directing him to this new field. He has done a great work among country churches, and will also do a great work with town churches. He is good preacher, and a great worker.

The President's message read on the 6th inst., before the 58th Congress was quite lengthy, and upon the whole a very conservative and sensible document. One free from prejudice would be impressed that Mr. Roosevelt is striving to do the best thing for our great country as a whole. Our interests are so numerous, so large and so varied, that no legislation can give full satisfaction to all sections. But let us hope for the best.

The Record-Herald, Chicago, says: "Thirteen deaths have resulted from football this season. The casualty list is the same as that of last year, but the number of serious injuries during the season just closed will exceed that of any year since the introduction of the modern college sport The players injured number 296."

It does seem that our college authorities should consider these facts. The game is beyond any question too dangeroustoo brutal.

#### What Is It?

I notice in newspaper of 23rd inst, this. "lackson will properly celebrate Thanksgiving Day with a Football Game." This question presents itself. What is it that is associated with this day that is to be celebrated? I can understand what is celebrated in connection with the 4th of July but what event is it, that brings about the celebration of Thanksgiving day with a foot ball game?

J R SAMPLE.

On Account the National Cotton Conven tion.

Shrevepo t, La., December 12-15, 1904, the Queen & Crescent Route has authorized, from all points on its line, the low rate of one fare plus 25 cents for the round trip. From points East of the Mississippi River, tickets will be sold December 10th and 11th, with limit Dec. 17th, 1904; from points west of the Mississippi River tickets will be sold December 11th and 12th with limit December 16th, 1904. Call on any agent of the Company for details, or Gen'l Pass. Agent, New Orleans, La.

#### The Home.

#### Which Is Worse?

(Selected.)

A little girl came to her mother with the question: "Which is worse-to tell a lie or to steal?"

The mother, taken by surprise, replied that they were both so bad that she could not say which was the worse.

"Well," said the little one, "I've been thinking a good deal about it, and I think it is worse to lie than to steal. If you steal a thing, you can take it back, unless you've eaten it; and if you've eaten it, you can pay for it. But"-and there was a look of awe in the child's face-"a lie is

#### The Value of Discipline.

(Watchman.)

Discipline is irksome, and every one is often tempted to neglect it or try to escape from its exactions, but it is never safe to do so. Perhaps it may be a long time before it is needed, but when the emergency comes the discipline is the thing absolutely necessary to meet the crisis. Excursion steamers in New York harbor had been making their trips for years without serious disaster and discipline had come to be wholly neglected among the crews, and when the fire came at a critical time, hundreds perished because the crew of the General Slocum had not been trained to know what to do and to do it promptly. Last week a school house in New York City which contained twenty-five hundred children caught fire, and the terrible holocaust of the General Slocum might easily have been duplicated if discipline had been lacking. But the children had been diligently trained in the fire drill and when the alarm was sounded, the little tots took their places in line and marched out through the smoke like soldiers, and not one was harmed. Those who refuse to be subject to the discipline of life are heedlessly inviting future dis-

#### The Beggar-Boy.

(Free Church Monthly.)

"Go away from there, you beggar! You have no right to look at our flowers," shouted a little fellow from the garden.

A poor boy, who was pale, dirty and ragged, was leaning against the fence, admiring the splendid show of roses and tulips within. His face reddened with anger at the rude language, and he was about to answer defiantly, when a little girl sprang out from an arbor near, and, looking at both, said to her brother: "How could you speak so, Herbert? I'm sure his looking at the flowers doesn't hurt us." And then, to soothe the wounded feelings of the stranger, she added: "Little boy, I'll pluck you some flowers if you'll wait a moment." And she gathered a pretty bouquet and handed it through

His face brightened with surprise and pleasure, and he earnestly thanked her.

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Twelve years after this occurrence the girl had grown to a woman. One bright afternoon she was walking with her husband in the garden, when she observed a young man in workman's dress leaning over the fence, and looking attentively at her and the flowers. Turning to her husband, she said: "It does me good to see people admiring the garden. I'll give that young man some flowers." And approaching him, she said: "Are you fond of flowers, sir? It will give me great pleasure to gather you some."

The young workman looked for a moment into her fair face, and then said, in a voice tremulous with feeling: "Twelve years ago I stood here a ragged little beggar-boy, and you showed me the same kindness. The bright flowers and your pleasant words made a new boy of me; aye, and they made a man of me, too. Your face, madam, has been a light to me in my dark hours of life; and now, thank God, though that boy is still a humble, hard-working man, he is an honest and

Tears stood in the eyes of the lady as, turning to her husband, she said: "God put it in my heart to do that little act of kindness, and see how great a reward it has brought!"

#### Disappointment.

(Unknown.)

"Disappointment-His appointment," Change one letter, then I see, That the thwarting of my purpose Is God's better choice for me. His appointment must be blessing, Tho' it may come in disguise, For the end from the beginning, Open to His wisdom lies.

"Disappointment-His appointment," Whose? The Lord's who loves me best, Understands and knows me fully Who my faith and love would test:

For, like loving, earthly parent, He rejoices when He knows That His child accepts, unquestioned, All that from His wisdom flows.

"Disappointment-His appointment," "No good thing will He withhold," From denials oft we gather Treasures of His love untold. Well He knows each broken purpose Leads to fuller, deeper trust, And the end of all His dealings Proves our God is wise and just.

"Disappointment-His appointment," Lord, I take it then as such, Like the clay in hands of potter, Yielding wholly to thy touch. All my life's plan is thy molding, Not one single choice be mine; Let me answer, unrepining-Father-"Not my will, but thine."

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## Missions.

On Nov. 24, at the Georgia Baptist Convention, W. W. Brooks, a prominent lawyer of Rome in that state, gave \$5,000 to Foreign Missions.

(Baptist Courier)

Rev. J. W. McCollum, now in this country, writes: "The conditions in the East seem to me to invite a large increase of our force in Japan. It is true that some of our Chinese missionaries laugh at the suggdstion that Japanese Christians will be a potent factor in the evangelization of China. But if the Japanese are becoming the teachers of the Chinese in commerce, education, diplomacy and war, it does not seem to me a violent supposition to think that the Japanese will be the teachers of the Chinese in religion as well."

#### Home Mission Notes.

(H. B. Grose)

Rev. C. C. Carroll, who was appointed by the Southern Home Mission Board to Havana a few months ago for work among the English-speaking people, has been obliged to leave on account of his health and will probably not return.

The immigration of Spanish laborers is a striking feature in Cuban affairs. From October 1 to 6, 3,127 passengers arrived in Havana, of whom 2,691 were from Spain.

From October 7 to 10 the Cubans celebrated the beginning of the ten years' war, which was the first determined resistance against the yoke of Spain. Fire crackers, bombs and cannon were accompaniments of the celebration.

An organized movement is being made to induce large numbers of Italians from Northern Italy to come to Cuba for the agricultural development of the country. It is declared that this plan has the active support of the Roman Catholic church, which hopes thereby to make up for some of the losses it has sustained through the labor of American missionaries.

The Spaniards generally throughout the island are organizing to render financial support to the Republican movement in Spain, thus the emancipation of Porto Rico from clericalism and monarchy is helping on the cause of liberty in Europe.

When the Baptist Association met at Cayay, the priest there announced publicly that he would expel from the church any who attended the meetings. But at each of the sessions the attendance was about two hundred, taxing the capacity of the place to the utmost.

Dr. Moseley has made plans for a series of evangelistic services, assisted by some of the other missionaries, from October 13 to November 12, devoting from two days to a week at these seven points, viz: Manzanillo, Campechuela, Niquero, La Caridad, Jibacoa, Yava, Calisto. This is vigorous work for the evangelization of Cuba.

Rev. A. D. Wilson of Camaguey writes that' trequently they have an attendance of about one hundred at the weekly prayer meetings on Wednesday evenings. This speaks well for the spiritual interests of the church.

A priest of the Roman Catholic church in Camaguey in an exhortation to the people to engage in special services in honor of the Virgin Mary, attributes to her these words: "He who honors me shall have life eternal." Yet, some good people even call this Christianity.

The Havana Post of October 7th has the following, which is true so far as the Chapels to be built are concerned though the lumber will be purchased in the United States: Rev. H. R. Moseley, D. D., superintendent of the Baptist missions in Eastern Cuba is in the city to secure lumber for five new Baptist churches, which are to be built at the following places: Bayamo, Baire, Jiguani, Tunas, Niquero and Jiba-Dr. Moseley reports the Baptist work in Santiago and Puerto Principe provinces as flourishing.

#### Meetings of Missionaries.

A notable gathering has just taken place in Shanghai, China. There has been a small meeting of Baptists, from which we hope great things. Never before in the history of China mission work have representatives from six Baptist missions met together for consultation about our work.

Here in China we have organized associations, but nothing as yet to correspond to either the State or Southern Baptist Convention. There does not seem to be any special demand for the intermediate State Convention kind of meeting, but there is a pressing need for a general conference of our Baptists, this being at present for the missionaries of our Baptist forces in China

At this meeting which has just taken place in Shanghai five subjects of vital interest to our China work were introduced.

#### 1. THE SUNDAY SCHOOL HELPS.

There is a growing feeling that a course of Sunday school helps, especially adapted to the present condition of work in China would be far more practical and beneficial than anything we can now get hold of. There is a committee hard at work on this subject, and the prospects are bright for soon formulating something on which we shall hereafter decide as to its merits and demerits.

#### 2. THE BAPEIST NEW TESTAMENT.

The term used for baptism in China generally is "wash." This does not suit Baptists. We have gotten out editions with our terms in one dialect and another, but just now we want a Mandarin edition.

A committee of three—one from the Gospel Mission, one from our Northern Baptists, and one from the Southern Baptists -is consulting Bible Society agents, and at the same time getting up subscriptions. The feeling is we must have this for the truth's sake.

Flour, Butter and Eggs

Do not be deluded by the deceptive claim of economy for the cheap baking powders. Instead of saving, their use results in a wastefulness of the most serious kind.

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economical.

3. A BAPTIST CONFERENCE IN CHINA.

It was decided that the time has come for a Baptiss conference in China, and so supplemented by the profits of their work the call is out the date is fixed and three committees are at work on the matter. on the farm. Thus the Home will save the children from lives of indolence, igno-It is to be a ring thing. Our brethren of the A. B. M. It from away out in Western mature death, and also it will save their China are expected to attend. One brother says it will take them one year to reach land sharks who are robbing the full-Shanghai (for that is where the meeting is blood Indians of every thing they have to be held) and another year to return and rapidly reducing them to beggary. to their station, but they must come.

[Note.—Acts id born in China December 31, 1904, would be two years old January 1, 1905. Do not think that this brother's remark included two years of three hundred and sixty five days' duration each.

#### The Indian Orphan's Home.

half white, and open to any and all tribes large or small, to J. S. Murrow, Atoka, the U. S. It now has under its care eighty- the farm. one orphans ead three old people.

For the present it is located at Atoka, Atoka, I. T.

Indian Territary. But we desire to me ve out on the farm as soon as possible. God ludes the management of their landed es which they gathered around him.

tates, the rentals from which, in a year or two, will largely support the enildren,

Its great need now is money for erecting buildings on the farm. If friends of hu-

Brother, sister, you, perhaps, never before had an opportunity of contributing to a Home for poor, needy, Indian orphan This is a berevolent institution founded children. You now have the opportunity. in Indian gerritory under Baptist This Home will continue for many years auspices. It is for the benefit of full blood to bless and save the poor and worthy of Indian orphanchildren and those not over a passing race. Please send contributions, feeble and sick Indians. It is an industrial Indian Territory, and every dime shall go institution and the only one of its kind in into the improvements so much needed on

J. S. MURROW.

Not long since a Mexican disciple of has greatly spessed this home. He has provided for at fifteen hundred acres of try in the American Baptist Church at land, located about twenty-five miles try in the American Baptist Church at from Atoka, all of which has been donated Carlesbad, New Mexico. The exercisesby full-blood surlian adults It has theen sermon, charges, singing-were conducted dorsement of all the U. S. officials and of in two tongues, Spanish and English. An the Indian chiefs, councils and people, and of the Baptist General Convention of Indian Territor. God is giving to it the bearts of the Mexicans from the way in guardianship of many orphans, which in hearts of the Mexicans from the way in

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### Editorial.

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Ruling Elders.

It is desired that an explanation be given of I Timothy 5:17, which reads: "Let the elders that rule well be counted worthy of double honor, especially they who labor in Word and doctrine."

Under the circumstances of the primitive churches it was desirable and sometimes necessary that the congregations should have more than one elder. The churches being for the most part in the cities were generally large. They were subject to legalized persecution. It was usually inexpedient, and sometimes impossible, to assemble in one place. Often sections of the same church meet in private houses, vaults, caves, or in other places of security. More than one elder was necessary for the instruction of these different gatherings. Besides, persecution would fall heavily upon leaders, and that the churches might not be without leadership at any time, they usually had more than one elder.

This Scripture clearly makes distinction among elders. Is it an official, or only a personal distinction? Does it mark a difference of office, or only difference of persons belonging to the same class or office? Does it warrant two classes of elders, to the one of which belongs the duty of preaching and ruling, and to the other not to the exclusion of preaching; and only the duty of ruling? Or does the passage make merely a personal distinction of the same class with regard to different duties which all might perform? There are good reasons for holding this last view.

The words rendered "double honor" mean in this passage, in the view of competent scholars, not merely high respect,

tablishes the office of ruling elder it also enjoins that this officer shall have ample pecuniary support. Nowhere else do the Scriptures teach by precept or example that any other officers except preaching elders shall receive temporal maintenance. If this passage so teaches it is the only one that does. The strong presumption is that it does not make an official distinction, enjoining, contry to all other Scripture, that those elders who do not preach shall receive from the charches pecuniary

In the New Testament, elder is synonymous with bishop, that is, pastor, or preaching elder. If it is not so used here this is undeniably the only place where it has a different meaning. According to the established laws of interpretation, he who affirms that a term has a different meaning in a single passage of Scripture from that which it clearly has everywhere else must prove, not only that it may not, but also that it cannot, have that meaning in the passage under consideration.

In giving the qualifications of the officers of the churches, Paul plainly points out those of bishop, or preaching elder, and deacon; but he says nothing about those of ruling elders. He omitted these either because there were no such officers, or because the qualifications for preaching elders were suited to those who should rule only. But "aptness to teach" is the most important qualification of bishop, which could not be applicable at all to an elder who was to rule and not to teach. The conclusion seems to be inevitable that preacing and ruling elder were different names for the same office, and that there was no official distinction.

The churches immediately after the apos. tolic age do not appear to have had such an office. If the apostles instituted such an office we cannot account for this omission. These churches filled all the other offices but never had ruling elders. This office seems to have been a post-apostolic

This Scripture is fairly susceptible of another meaning than that usually given it by those who claim Scriptural authority for ruling editors. I will give that meaning in the substance of the teaching of the late William Williams of our Seminary. "Among a plurality of elders it may reasonably be supposed there would be some diversity of talent. Whilst all might possess the ability to rule well and to preach, yet some having a special talent for government and discipline might give themselves more particularly to that, though others having a special talent and zeal for preaching might give themselves more particularly to that, though not to the exclusion of ruling well. Now, the apostle enjoins that the elders that rule well must be It is said that hundreds of students are counted worthy of ample maintenance, s izing the opportunity. Nearly all of our especially those who are laboriously devoting themselves to preaching. All of professor to conduct it.

but ample temporal maintenance. The them are worthy of high esteem and amwords of the context-"the laborer is ple support, but particularly those of them worthy of his reward"-make this inter- who are giving their time and energies pretation necessary. It this passage es- especially to the more important and more laborious work of preaching." The emphasis rests on the Word "especially," and not on "labor." Thus: "Let the elders that rule well be counted worthy of double honor, especially they who labor in Word and doctrine," and not, "especially those who labor in the Word and doctrine."

The conclusion is that the apostle does not make an official distinction but only a personal distinction of the same class. He refers to the discharge of different duties of the same office, and not to that of

#### MISCELLANEA.

Some time the best point a writer or preacher can make is a period.-J. B. Sear-

Sid Williams is happy in a meeting with pastor Thornton at Starkville, the boyhood home of the evangelist.

Rev. T. H. Morris of Friar's Point, will live in Cleveland and serve Skene, Fairview and Refuge churches as pastor.

Hollandale Church gave \$55.00 to the Orphanage on Thanksgiving day, and the Woman's Missionary Society gave a \$25 00 box to one of our frontier mission-

Matthew Henry says that Peter sustained the same relation to the twelve Apostles that the foreman sustains to the grand jury; he was simply their spokes-

James E. Chapman has become Associate Editor, and W. P. Chapman Field Editor, of The Mississippi Baptist. In them Editor Sansing will have real helpers.

A. B. Hill will go from Shelby to Ruleville and serve the church in that town one-half his time and give Dockery and Drew one fourth time each.

Uncle Sam smiles on the Jap as a borrower and will discount his paper with pleasure.-N. Y. Tribune. 'And yet, "The little brown Oriental's credit is good everywhere, even in Moscow."-Times Democrat.

During the last conventional year of Georgia Baptists the elect women gave \$ 3,751 to the different missions and sent boxes to Home Missionaries to the value

The Christian Women's Board of Missions has established "The Bible Chair" in the University of Kansas, for thorough and systematic instruction in the Bible. colleges have a Bible Department and a

Baylor University, through its Executive Committee, has purchased the Dallas Medical College, the second oldest in Dallas. The college will be merged with the university's medical department, located in Dallas.-Ala. Baptist.

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W. H. Morgan, who has been in the pastorate at Shaw two years, will move to Carrollton and give that field one half his time and return to Shaw twice every month and minister unto that fold

In his report ro the Texas Convention, B. H. Carroll, Dean of the Theological Faculty of Baylor University, said the 74 churches which 29 ministerial students of the University serve, received into their membership in one year, 1,363 converts, and gave \$6,000 to the ministerial students' endowment fund.

The Baptist Church in Greenville expects to begin in the coming spring to erect a \$20,000 meeting house. Already \$14,0 0 has been subscribed toward the building. One of the members, who is one of the largest contributors, himself a contractor, will save the church a large sum by superintending the work.

Rev. B. L. Mitchell, Cuba, Ala., will succeed Hewlett in the pastorate at Cleveland. He will give one-half his time to this church, one-fourth to Merigold, and the other fourth to some mission station. Other churches in the state are seeking the services of Pastor Hewlett, but it is not known yet where he will go.

Rev. J. E. Thigpen believes in the perseverance as well as in the preservation of the saints. He served Spring Hill Church as pastor 23 successive years. But the pleasant relation has been broken. The thriving church of Magnolia asks the whole time of Pastor Thigpen, and he has agreed to devote his energies to that flock.

In one meeting at the Georgia Convention, W. W. Brooks, of Rome, gave \$5,000 to Foreign Missions; F. T. Cooledge, of Atlanta, \$5,000 to the Orphans' Home; and one who does not wish his name known, \$5,000 to Monroe College. Some of God's stewards appreciate the privilege and recognize the responsibility of large

E. T. Mobberly did a good work in his year's pastorate at Rolling Fork. A house of worship was built, the membership enlarged, and the church is hopeful. According to his purpose, the pastor now retires, Rolling Fork will co-operate and settle a pastor between them, who will give onehalf time to each church.

"What is the very latest news from the war in the far East? Exactly what it has been for the past six months, viz: Port Arthur must soon be taken and a decisive battle is imminent between Kuropatkin and Oyama. The patience of the public in reading this without complaint for half a year in the telegraphic dispatches in the papers, is phenomenal."-Western Re-

The Mississippi Baptist is not the son of ignobility, but had for its father and early promoter, that prince of preachers and Baptist patriarch of Mississippi, N. L. Clarke, whose record this writer had rather have than to be president of the United States, or emperor of all the Russians, and who, in his 93rd year, has the love and confidence of all the people.-W. P. Chap-

#### College Tidings.

350 on the roll. Last session we enroll ed 35 after Christinas. Maybe, it our friends would help us a little, we could secure 50 new students; between Christmas and the close of the actsion, and thus reach the much desired 400. What do our friends

Don't let our friends who have endowment notes with us lorget that the payments for the 4th year will be due January 1st. I wish that I might get in all those payments during the Christmas holidays, so that I might have time to attend to entering payments, eancelling notes, etc., without interfering with other work.

Your College President has just returned from Blue Mountain, where he spent 8 days in a meeting. Prof. Aven acted as President in his absence, and did it well, We had a great meeting at Blue Mountain, with 43 professions of faith. The new Mississippi Heights Academy, under Prof. J. E. Brown is starting off excellently. He has over 50 boys, and a fine set of fellows I found them to be. An excellent new 2-story brick building is nearing completisn. A training school for young boys has been a serious need in Mississippi. I believe that the Mississippi Heights Academy, at Blue Mountain, promises very much in the way of supplying this need.

More than 400 have been enrolled in the Female College there this session. Pres. B. G. Lowrey says that he could have had 800 if he had had the room. They have been forced to decline about 200 actual applications, and have probably forestalled 200 applications by publishing, since the middle of June, that all places were engaged. I feel sure that there are 100 Bap-tist girls in Pedo Bartist institutions who would have been at Blue Mountain if they could have gotten in, and more than 100 others who have gone to school outside of and will give his whole time to Leland and Mississippi. What are we going to do Arcola. The churches at Anguila and about it? Cannot dississippi Baptists provide for their own girls? Some say arrange our new buildings for co education and open Mississippi College to girls. There would be no opposition from Hillman or Blue Mountain. Might we not, at least, think and pray over the question?

With an earnest desire to assist in bring-ing about the things that ought to be, I

Your willing servant, W. T. LOWREY. Clinton, Miss., Dec. 6, 1904.

#### From Blue Mountain.

1st. I believe THE BAPTIST is mistaken in its figures. I am pretty sure that our pastor, Bro. McMillin is preaching to more young people than any other pastor in the State. Blue Mountain College has registered over four hundred pupils this session and Mississippi Heights Academy over sixty. We have from four hundred and twenty-five to four hundred and fifty in our Sunday-school, so I rather think that Bro. Lipsey and Bro. Miller both will have to yield to Bro. McMillin on the question of a congregation of inspiring young people.

2nd. Blue Mountain Church celebrated

Thanksgiving Day by calling our pastor

for full time for next year with increase of salary; by completing the arrangements for starting our new church; and by a fair contribution to the Orphanage. We have now about six thousand dollars subscribed on that new church. Our plan is to build the church without any appeal to the State Board or to the outside world, for help. This is the way the church voted on the matter, and yet as an individual member of the church I am going to take the risk of saying something. There are, scattered over Mississippi, hundreds of young women whose religious life began at Blue Mountain. They look back to old Blue Mountain Baptist Church as their spiritual birth place. Then there are hundreds more whose religious life received a new impetus and a new strength during their college days here. Most of these young women have never done anything financially for the work at Blue Mountain except to throw their mites into the contribution basket when attending church bere. I have an idea that a good many of these young women would esteem it a real privilege to help a little in the building of a nice brick church at Blue Mountain. To such, I would say this: I am chairman of the building committee and if they wish to send me a little money for said purpose I will see that it is not thrown into the creek nor sent back to the donor. We are not going to turn out and ask the people at large to help us build our church, but it is a big undertaking for the two hundred and fifty local members here to put up a building sufficient to accommodate our own people, and something like five hundred people besides who come here annually to be educated. Speaking for myself personally, I want to say to "my girls," I think it would be right for you to help a little if you really want to and feel that it would be a pleasure to help the people at the place where you received help in your own religious life.

3rd. Our protracted meeting is in progress this week. Dr. W. T. Lowrey is doing the preaching and up to this time, Saturday morning, we have had about thirty professions of faith. Others are interested and we trust we shall have many more conversions.

B. G. LOWREY.

### WOMAN'S WORK.

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Mrs. E. G. Hackett, President, Meridian; Mrs. W. R. Woods, Secretary, Meridian.

#### Program-November, 1904.

Programs are suggestive. The intro duction of other features, selection of additional hymns, subjects of prayer, etc., are left with the society.

#### Subject: Pagan Missions.

Seed Thought: "God's word is full of promises as the heavens are full of stars.' 1. Roll Call: Each responding with a scripture promise

2. Universal Need: Rom, 3:10-17, 23 Acts 16:9-10; Rom. 10:13-15.

The True Work and the Reward: John 5:36: II Cor. 9.6; Matt. 25:23.

3. Calls From Pagan Lands: AFRICA "There are in Africa 133,000 souls t every Protestant missionary. Who like us can plead from such depths of need for the religion of Christ?" CHINA-"Thirty-three thousand of us die every day, sufficient to bury the entire popula tion of the United States in five years, How much we need Him who came t seek and to save!" JAPAN-"We believe we shall be in God's hand a cho en instrument for missionary service throughout all the east. Help Japan, and you have the key to the Orient."

4. Silent Prayer. Based on the though "How will I stand at the judgment seat with reference to the millions in heather darknéss?"

5. Leaflet: "Pagan Religions," by Dr. R. H. Graves.

6. Review of Leaflet: Bach member mentioning that point which has bee most interesting to her.

7. Business, Collection, Etc.: Look forward to "Christmas Offering" for the box and the money. China; send for literature and envelopes if not already in hand. Last year the offering was nearly eleven thousand dollars, an increase of more than two thousand. This year, shall we not aim yet higher?

8. Impersonations: Previous to the meeting have three persons engaged to familiarize themselves with the work of one missionary in China, Japan, Africa, and to speak as his or her representative of what has been accomplished, of the present outlook and needs. (Abundance of material to be found in Convention Report and Foreign Mission Journals )

stitutes on pagan fields, for the success of the "Christmas Offering."

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#### Pagan Missions.

GARNERED GLEANINGS FROM CHINA.

it has been long work, hard sions. work, and uphill work; but now Next to the teacher, perhaps Fine singing Canaries, talking Parcots, We have been planning several the abundance of those Gentiles the Bible Woman is the strong weeks for a Thanksgiving box is beginning to come in. In one est personal force on missionary for the Orphanage. We met province alone, the applicants ground. There are few homes

#### LAMP-FITS.

THE BAPTIST.

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MACBETH, Pittsburgh.

aking one half bottle I consider myself the while and we shall see mar. Chronicle. vels of grace in China.'

> tral China: I have not time to tell you of the wonderful strides the gospel is making. Every where there is a beginning of a wonderful movement, such as has never occurred in this region. - Edinburg, Medical Mission

> Quarterly. In China Missionaries labor Shansi report marvellous opportunities. Time was when through the hostility of the people, it was impossible to do anything, conditions of men.-B. M. S. Re-

In Manchuria, many visitors who would not be seen entering a Mission Chapel, and dare not and discuss Christianity.—Bible and Cincinnati, New York and St. Louis, R. J. Anderson, Society Report.

Remember there are 1746 walled cities and in only about 247 of these missionaries are at work, leaving 1,500 unoccupied. Christmas Holliday Excur-What a loud call for more Christian missionaries this fact makes! World.

The Chinese Empire is by far the A pathetic instance is told of ulation three or four times as thing and where all believe in great.-From Rex "Christus." devils and are dying in the Dr. Ashmore says: In China, dark."-From Protestant Mis-

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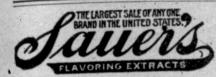
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#### Turnbough.

Sister Fannie F. Turnbough, (nee Speights) was born November 17, 1848, ly resign to His will and say, with one he lived until today, he would have is the best medicine on the market for died July 17, 1994. She was a member of the Baptist Church at Bogue Chitto has taken away, blessed be His holy While we were watching at the bedand died with an unswering faith in her name." To the bereaved, let me once Lord and Savior. For a number of more say: "Cast your cares upon Him, L. Hill, the little fellow, in company troubles of the nervous system and for years, Sister Turnbough was in failing for He careth for you." health, and when she realized that the end was near, she chose to be taken back placed her mortal body to rest in the to the home of her worth, on White cemetery at Pleasant Ridge. Sand, in Lawrence County, where she soon pass d peacefully away, and now sleeps alon side, her parents and other relatives, a waiting the gathering of the saints on the resurrection morn. I. A. SCARBOROUGH.

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#### Mrs. Lon Bailey Dodd.

joined the Baptist Church at "Pleasant able to speak for the last three years, Ridge," in which she lived a consistent her love and faith never failed. Christian until the battle of life was suc- Her life was strongly marked by that

aged mother, 13 children, a dear hus- cording to his riches in glory by Christ band and a host of friends to mourn Jesus.'

her away from her loved ones who so, "not my will but thine be done." much needed her. Yet we do not quesit to be done; for He is too good and wise to do us a wrong or to make a mistake. He has only called back His

of old: "The Lord gave and the Lord been three years old.

At 3 p. m., 22nd November, 1904, we

"Be still, sad hearts And cease repining, Behind this dank cloud The sun is still shining."

through this dark world and at last and before these could be torn from his carry you to that home where there body, his hands, face, neck, breast, and will be no parting and "all tears will be right side had burned to a crisp. He This lovely Christian woman breathed wiped from our eyes," if we only trust lived eight hours, and death came to

#### Mrs. M. A. Noel.

1833, died in Lexington, Mississippi, November 21, 1904. When a small 1846, after the death of her father, she self sacrificing church member. consistent Christian. Many loved her, returned to her native state with her Louisville, Ky , and entered St. Mary's hopes are bright. College at Raleigh, from which she graduated and returned to Mississippi. Houston, Miss. On April 2nd, 1851, she was married to Mr. Leland Noel. They lived on their trail body, she was the soul of her old plantation between Franklin and Ebenezer until 1886, when they came to Lexington to live with her son, E. F. Noel. Eight children were born of their marriage, all of whom, except one, James reached maturity. Thomas D. Noel and Fannie J. Noel died some years ago. Mrs. A. S. Pierce, E. F. Noel, E. S. Noel Miss M. A. Noel, and Dr. H. L. Noel, survive her.

Mrs. Noel joined the Baptist Church when a young girl, and her life was Born May 9, 1857, died at her home 3 marked by those graces that belong onmiles north of Owens, Holmes County, by to those who have a strong Christian Mississippi, at 4 a. m., November 21, faith and rejoice in hope of the glory of 1904. Early in life this noble Christian God. In the midst of reverses, in the woman professed faith in Christ and midst of unusual affliction, not being

cessfully fought, and the Glorified King charity that suffereth long and is kind, said: "It is enough, come up higher." that envieth not, seeketh not its own, is Twas then the immortal spirit made its not easily provoked; thinketh no evil, tranquil and triumphant exit to that rejoiceth not in iniquity, but in the beautiful and eternal home of "many truth; believeth all things, hopeth all Treatment and Full Information. Thousands besides myself have cured them-

editor, T. J. Bailey. She leaves two ing ones the words of the Apostle: "But

half-brothers, W. R. and J. M. Tate, an my God shall supply all your need ac-

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side of his dying grandmother, Mrs. W. It seldom fails if properly used. For with hi little cousin, who is only four months his senior, went into a closet where a number of loose papars had where a number of loose papers had ent from that of ordinary medicines, that been piled. A match in the hand of one it produces enthusiasm on the part of or the other ignited the papers, and he was soon enveloped in flames. Thecrics of his companion brought me to his rescue, but it was too late His strong You can go to her. Jesus will lead you fall clothing were thoroughly on fire, his relief.

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